Date Mailed July 2, 2001

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of St Croix Valley Natural Gas Company for Authority to Increase Natural Gas Rates 5230-GR-103

NOTICE OF HEARING

Staff Testimony Due: Wednesday, July 11, 2001 - Noon

Rebuttal Testimony Due: Wednesday, July 25, 2001 – Noon

Surrebuttal Testimony Due: Tuesday, July 31, 2001 - Noon

Hearing Date: Thursday, August 2, 2001 – 9:00 a.m.

Hearing Location: Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way,

Madison, WI

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO consider the application of St. Croix Valley Natural Gas Company (Applicant), filed June 20, 2000, under Wis. Stat. § § 196.03(1) and (3), 196.20(1), and 196.37(1), (2), and (3), for approval of its application to increase Retail Rates. Copies of the application can be obtained by written request to St. Croix Valley Natural Gas Company, 212 North Main Street, River Falls, Wisconsin 54022.

On June 8, 2001, a prehearing conference was held to determine the issues that will be addressed in this docket and to establish a schedule for the hearing. These dates are referenced above.

The utility is responsible for giving notice to its customers of the filing of its application with the Commission and, pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.73, for producing proof of notice at the hearing.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that a hearing will be held beginning on Thursday, August 2, 2001, at 9:00 a.m. in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

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This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The hearing will be on the Applicant's application to increase Retail Rates. Issues relating to the Applicant's capital structure, revenue requirements, cost of service, and rate design are involved.

Any person desiring to become a party shall file a request pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.32(3) no later than 14 days from the date of this notice. The request shall be addressed to Administrative Law Judge David C. Whitcomb, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Questions from the media may be directed to Jeffrey L. Butson, Public Affairs Director at (608) 267-0912.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Kane Walent at (608) 266-7006.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin,
For the Commission:
David C. Whitcomb
Administrative Law Judge

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